

The County of San Bernardino Purchasing Department earned the Excellence in Procurement Award for 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005



In 1995, the National Purchasing Institute (NPI) established a program designed to recognize the achievement of organizational excellence in public procurement.

For the fifth year in a row, the County of San Bernardino Purchasing Department has been selected to receive the Excellence in Procurement Award jointly presented by the National Institute of Government Purchasing (NIGP); the California Association of Public Purchasing Officers (CAPPO); Florida Association of Public Purchasing Officers (FAPPO); Institute for Supply Management, Inc (ISM); the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO); and the National Association of Educational Buyers (NAEB). This award is based upon an extensive rating system and is presented only to those organizations that demonstrate excellence in procurement practices. San Bernardino County received high marks for its continuous improvement program, automation, utilization of electronic commerce, professional certification, and environmental purchasing policy.

A total of 144 awards were given nationally in 2005, 36 of those in California, with San Bernardino County one of only six counties in California to receive the award. In addition, San Bernardino County is one of only 12 counties nationally receiving the award at least five consecutive years.